

MILWAUKEE COUNTY ETHICS BOARD

Tuesday, February 25, 2014 Ethics Board Meeting Minutes

Call to order

Chairman David B. Carr called to order a meeting of the Ethics Board at 2:00 PM on February 25, 2014 in Room 201-B of the Milwaukee County Courthouse.

1.0 Roll call

The Ethics Board Interim Executive Director, Robert Tuszynski, conducted a roll call. The following Board Members were present: Chairman David B. Carr, Marcia Drame, Christian B. Flores, and Carol Wichmann.

Reverend Gary B. Manning and Mr. Henry Hamilton III were excused.

2.0 Election of Officers (Closed session)

Pursuant to 19.85(1) (f) and (h) the Board may meet in closed session.

Ms. Wichmann nominated Mr. Carr for Chair. Ms. Drame seconded the nomination and the Board voted 4-0 to approve the nomination of Mr. David Carr to Chair of the Ethics Board.

Ms. Wichmann nominated Ms. Marcia Drame for Vice Chair. Mr. Carr seconded the nomination and the Board voted 4-0 to approve the nomination of Ms. Marcia Drame to Vice Chair of the Ethics Board.

3.0 Approval of the Minutes of the December 12, 2013 Meeting

Mr. Flores moved, Ms. Drame seconded, and the Board voted 4-0 to approve the minutes of the December 12, 2013 Ethics Board meetings.

4.0 Schedule meeting dates for 2014

The Board scheduled its next regular meetings for May 6, 2014, August 26, 2014, and December 2, 2014.

5.0 Report of the Executive Director

Lobbying Reports from County Clerk Joseph Czarnecki.

This item was informational only. The Board made no comments and no action was taken by the Board.

6.0 Statement of Economics Interests Forms

6.1 Update on status of online SEI Filing

The Board's Administrative Assistant, Charmaine Gee, reported that the online SEI filing was delayed due to the project being consolidated with the Election Commissions department. Being that both departments will be operating on the same system, the Personnel Review Board cannot run live until the Elections Commissions part of the project is complete. Ms. Gee anticipated the online filing project to be completed in time for annual filing in 2014.

6.2 Late or Non-Compliant Filers

6.3 Annual SEI Filing Reports

The Board's Administrative Assistant, Charmaine Gee, summarized the SEI annual filing in 2013 for the period January 1, 2013 through December 31, 2013.

Total required filers in 2014 for the period January 1, 2014 through December 31, 2014 were 294, down from 305 of the prior year. The largest departmental changes of 8 SEI filers were from IMSD in the Department of Administrative Services. There were a total of 10 late filers who filed on or after January 31, 2014 and a total of 17 non-compliant filers.

These items were informational only. The Board made no comments and no action was taken by the Board.

7.0 Report of the Chairman

7.1 Confidential Advisories, if any

7.2 Confidential Verified Complaints & Investigation Requests, if any

The Ethics Board may adjourn into closed session under the provisions of Wisconsin Statutes, Section 19.85(1)(a), (f), (g) for the purpose of the Ethics Board deliberating concerning a case which was the subject of any judicial or quasi-judicial trial or hearing before the Ethics Board; considering financial, medical, social or personal histories or disciplinary data of specific persons, preliminary consideration of specific personnel problems or the investigation of charges against specific persons except where par. 19.85(1)(b) applies which, if discussed in public, would be likely to have a substantial adverse effect upon the reputation of any person referred to in such histories or data, or involved in such problems or investigations; and for the purpose of conferring with legal counsel for the Ethics Board who is rendering oral or written advice concerning strategy to be adopted by the body with respect to litigation in which it is or is likely to become involved.

At the conclusion of the closed session, the Board may reconvene in open session to take whatever action(s) it may deem necessary.

8.0 Adjournment

Ms. Drame then moved, Mr. Flores seconded and the Board adjourned the meeting at 3:04 PM

Minutes submitted by: Charmaine Gee, Administrative Assistant